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SUBJECT: PRC-CYPRUS TRADE AGREEMENT

REF: NICOSIA 1598, 8/25/72

1. CHINA AND CYPRUS CONCLUDED A TRADE AND PAYMENTS AGREEMENT IN PEKING ON SEPTEMBER 19 (NCNA). SIGNED BY CYPRIOT MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY MICHAEL KOLOKASSIDES AND PRC FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER PAI HSIANG-KUO, THE AGREEMENT CAME DURING A VISIT WHICH INCLUDED TALKS WITH PAI AND BANK OF CHINA DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER WANG YU-CHANG. THE PERIOD OF THE AGREEMENT WAS NOT SPECIFIED AND, AS USUAL, NO DETAILS WERE PUBLISHED. KOLOKASSIDES IS THE FIRST CYPRIOT MINISTER TO VISIT CHINA.

2. IN AUGUST 1972, THE CYPRIOT GOVERNMENT EXPRESSED INTEREST IN SUCH AN AGREEMENT WHEN PRESIDENT MKARIOS TOLD THE PRC AMBASSADOR THAT HE HOPED FOR THE EARLY CONCLUSION OF A TRADE PACT WITH CHINA (REFTEL). IN 1972, CYPRIOT TRADE UNCLASSIFIED

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WITH CHINA AMOUNTED TO ONLY \$130,000 (CYPRIOT POUNDS

44,000), ALL IMPORTS, BUT SHOULD NOW BE EXPECTED TO  
INCREASE FOLLOWING THE AGREEMENT (MOSCOW NARODNY BANK  
PRESS BULLETIN, JULY 25).  
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